



Heritage to Horizons...

Commemorating 60 years of
Air and Space Power

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NEW THIS MONTH ON THE CoP

*Master List of Planned
AF60th Events*

AETC AF60th Plans

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AF/CVAT UPDATES



A young child enjoys part of the SAF/IA and AF 60th Anniversary display at the Australian International Air Show. The Air Force exhibit traveled down under to the air show in March. Our Australian allies were excited to learn more about the heritage of the Air Force and see the visual displays on hand.

AF Exhibit in Australia

Thanks to PACAF and SAF/IA for their support of the USAF 60th Anniversary Booth during the Australian Air Show. The show, held from 20-25 Mar was attended by more than 200,000 people and several thousand stopped by to check out the AF Exhibit. We were pleased that PACAF commander, Gen. Paul V. Hester, and International Affairs Director, Mr. Bruce S. Lemkin, stopped by the exhibit to meet some of the young Americans and Australians who were interested in learning more about the USAF.

AF60 CoP Updates

Your AF60th CoP now has a list of AF60th scheduled events. The posted list is dynamic and will continue to grow as new events are planned and re-

ported to our office for inclusion in the year long commemoration.

Member-added content continues to shape the CoP! In March, AETC posted its plans for an outstanding Air Education and Training Symposium and Air Force 60th Anniversary Ball. Any organization planning similar events would be well-served to study AETC's approach and perhaps take a page or two from its notes.

Education in Flight

CVAT has received great teacher feedback from its "Education in Flight" program. Education in Flight uses significant events in the history of the AF to teach fundamental principles of Math, Science and Social Studies. The material created includes reusable lesson

plans, tests, quizzes and posters. Packages were mailed to more than 45,000 high school teachers across the nation. You can view and download material online at:

<http://www.educationinflight101.com/>

Heritage Groups

Several Air Force organizations have recently noted the enthusiasm with which AF Veterans respond when asked to participate in AF60th events.

These individuals have a great story to tell, and we can learn much from their experience and sacrifices.

At your AF60th event(s), please reach out to include Medal of Honor recipients, other medal winners, and veterans from your local area.

AROUND THE AIR FORCE

MAJCOM Events

NMUSAF

In addition to its ongoing AF 60th Anniversary art exhibit, the National Museum of the United States Air Force uses its "Wings and Things" Guest Lecture Series to educate museum visitors of our service's heritage. On Mar 14, Lt. Col. (Ret.) Ken Dyson discussed his participation in AF programs related to stealth development aircraft, one of which led to the creation of the F-117 aircraft.

AMC

Maj Gen (sel) Erwin F. "Erv" Lessel, Air Force director of strategic communication and a former 92nd Air Refueling Wing commander, visited Fairchild AFB on Feb 28 to kick off Fairchild's AF60th Anniversary speaker's symposium. Many other Air Force leaders will be making their way to Fairchild to participate in the anniversary speaker's

series, which will culminate with the Air Force Ball in September.

The 60th Mobility Wing at Travis AFB continues with its "Traveling Flag" Initiative! After receiving a surprising amount of requests, the wing has agreed to send the flag to briefly fly outside of five different county buildings and outside the buildings of multiple community partners and businesses.

AFDW

AFDW is preparing a time capsule to be buried in commemoration of the AF60th Anniversary. The plan calls for the capsule to be opened as part of the commemoration of the AF 100th Anniversary forty years from now. Congratulations to AFDW for their forward thinking!

In recognition of the Air Force's 60th birthday, Malcolm Grow Medical Center's Maternal-Child Unit presents a gift bag to the parents of every 60th baby born at MGMC. The first recipient, a baby

boy, was born on Feb 12 at 11:48pm.

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The 113 Wing, District of Columbia, Air National Guard recently held a Dining-In at The Club on Andrews AFB. Guest speaker for the event was Medal of Honor recipient Col. James P. Fleming. During the event, which highlighted the history of the Air Force in the context of its 60th Anniversary, Fleming was presented with the newly authorized Medal of Honor flag.



The AF60th Flag flies proudly over the Vacaville City Hall in Vacaville, Calif. as part of the Travis AFB "Traveling Flags Initiative."



Medal of Honor recipient Col. James P. Fleming speaks to an attentive audience at a 113 Wing, District of Columbia, Air National Guard Dining-In.



AF60 SPOTLIGHT

AF Week- Phoenix

Arizonans turned out in record numbers to show support for the Air Force during AF Week-Phoenix and its grand finale, the Luke Days Air Show held at Luke AFB, Ariz.

The Air Force Week program is designed to increase public awareness of the Air Force's mission, capabilities and the professionalism of its Airmen. During the 60th Anniversary commemoration, the Air Force is also using this program to educate America about its proud heritage and exciting horizons.

"We have so much in our history," notes Brig. Gen. Janet Therianos, director of the AF 60th Anniversary program. "Steadfast national defense, technological innovation, remarkable journeys into space, and amazing accounts of heroism, sacrifice and courage in the service of our country. AF Weeks give us a chance to edu-



Arizona Governor Janet Napolitano presides over a reading of the AF proclamation held at the Ariz. State Capitol

cate the public of our historic experience and show its relevance to today's challenges and tomorrow's opportunities."

AF Week Phoenix highlighted the 60th Anniversary of the Air Force during community visits and speeches

by senior Air Force officials, flyovers and displays. The week provided the public with an up close and personal look at Air Force men and women serving on the front lines. Its final event, the Luke Days Air Show, had record setting attendance with more than

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300,000 individuals on hand to enjoy 17 aerial performers and 60 static displays.



Flights of historic planes thrill the crowd at the 2007 Luke Air Days



Lt Gen Carrol H. "Howie" Chandler, AF A3/5, drops the puck at a Phoenix Coyotes NHL game during AF Week

AF60 SEEN & HEARD

Check out the latest places where you may have heard the AF60 Message through our Public Service Announcements, historic Heritage to Horizons Video, and news outlets!

AF60 PSA

Mar. 31 - NCAA Men's Final Four Tournament
Mar 21 - Cactus League Spring Training

Game (Armed Forces Day)

Mar 1 - NY Yankees Spring Training Opening Day

In the News

Mar. 16 - AFNEWS announces Hanscom AFB's plan to commemorate the 60th Anniversary and details several of their upcoming events

Mar. 6 - Media Newswire posts plans from the AF Historians office to assist airmen with participation in mission-related reunions

Mar. 9 - The AF Memorial Flag raising event held on Mar. 1 is profiled in the new feature on AF Link- "Week In Photos"

EVENTS ON THE HORIZON

The following is a list of upcoming events that will recognize or commemorate the Air Force's 60th Anniversary throughout the Air Force and civilian community.

April 7 U.S. Air Force Band of Flight Concert—NMUSAF
April 9 National Space Symposium
April 12 Airmen in a World at War Exhibit—NMUSAF
April 14 Thunderbirds 2007 AF60 Performance
April 17 Sun'n Fun EAA Convention
April 21 Museum Family Day—NMUSAF
April 21 Thunderbirds 2007 AF60 Performance
April 24 Wings & Things Guest Lecture Series—NMUSAF
April 28 Thunderbirds 2007 AF60 Performance

Wright-Patterson AFB, OH
Colorado Springs, CO
Wright-Patterson AFB, OH
Eglin AFB, FL
Lakeland, FL
Wright-Patterson AFB, OH
Barksdale AFB, LA
Wright-Patterson AFB, OH
Langley AFB, VA

Air Force Flyovers and Band events commemorate the AF 60th Anniversary in their scripts and introductions. Events below are planned and subject to change.

Flyovers - 76 events in April

For information on scheduled Flyovers visit:
<https://www.airshows.pa.hq.af.mil/PublicSite/Index.cfm?fwa=home>

Bands— 162 events in April

For information on upcoming concerts for one or more of the 13 AF bands, please visit:

<http://www.af.mil/library/band/>

